Item 1

11th November 2022

NORTH EAST AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 2nd September 2022, by video conference.

Present: Councillor Ruairi Kelly (Chair), Bailie Sharon Greer and Councillor Maureen Burke, Glasgow City Council; Debbie Clark, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Chris Kerr, Third Sector Interface Network; Station Commander Russell McKinlay, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Sergeant Gareth Wylie, Police Scotland; and Sarah Ann Monteith, Ruchazie Community Council.

Attending: E Miller (Clerk); K Gannon and D Speirs (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); S Ferguson, M Lundie and R Smith (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and K Collins, Glasgow Helps, Renewal Manager, Chief Executives Department.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 17th June 2022 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an update on the membership of this Partnership advising that

(1) Debbie Clark and Lucy Sewell had been nominated as the main and substitute representatives for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; and

(2) Molendinar Community Council and Easterhouse North Community Council were now inactive.

Variation in order of business noted.

3 The Partnership agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

Glasgow Helps Programme – Update noted

4 There was submitted a report by Glasgow Helps Renewal Manager regarding the Glasgow Helps Programme, advising that

(1) the organisation was established by the Council in response to the pandemic to offer free confidential support, information and advice to residents;

(2) help could be in the form of food, fuel, holistic support or any other matter highlighted to the programme; and

(3) the organisation could be contacted directly or via a referral from an agency or stakeholder.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

(a) and thanked Mr J McCourt for the report;

(b) that leaflets could be provided to the Partnership to distribute and that some information could be found via social media;

(c) that the programme had been in contact with the Glasgow Evening Times and Glasgow Live to advertise and widen the information to residents about the services of the organisation; and

(d) the community engagement carried out by the programme within the Ward and that the organisation would link in with the community gardens in the area.

Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund – Proposals approved – Declaration of interest.

5 There was submitted an updated report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Local Parks and Open Spaces Improvement Fund, advising of the revised list of options for investment of this Fund and a breakdown of costs totalling £37,150 as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership approved the funding for option 1, Auchinlea Park totalling £37,150 on the understanding that when the costs had been finalised, any remaining funding would be allocated to the other proposals, as detailed on the report.

Councillor Kelly declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon and Councillor Burke assumed the Chair for this item only.

North East Infrastructure Fund 2022/23 – Update noted etc.

6 There was heard an updated report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the recommended options for spend towards Neighbourhood infrastructure asset improvements, advising

(1) that NRS had a list of what funds could be spent on and that there was no time limit to spend the money;

(2) that NRS would contact members of the community, including online conversations, to discuss areas that required improvement; and

(3) of a new Tool-Kit that would be used by NRS to collate all the information received from the Ward and that NRS would attend a future meeting of this Partnership with a progress report.

After consideration the Partnership

(a) noted and thanked Mr Lundie for the report;

(b) heard that further information would be provided to a future meeting of this Partnership to include a breakdown of costs and what and how consultations would be carried out by NRS in the community; and

(c) highlighted that the infrastructure should consider the wider issues regarding the use of energy by going above and beyond exploring the options for using solar panelling, wind turbines etc.

Festive Lighting 2022/23 – Report noted.

7 There was heard a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the 2022/23 Festive Lighting Programme, advising of the proposed locations within the Ward of a Christmas tree at Easterhouse Shopping Centre, Langdale Street, Molendinar and Gartloch Road, Ruchazie.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted the report and approved funding totalling £7,200 by agreeing the proposed Christmas tree sites; and

(2) heard that a switch-on event would cost the Partnership a further £800, as NRS would have to apply for road closures at certain locations within the Ward and that this would be discussed further with the Chair of the Partnership.

Area Budget 2021/22 - Applications for funding dealt with etc.

8 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administraiton Committee of 12th March 2020 (Print 7, page 527), when the committee approved the 2022/23 Area Budget allocations as part of a 3-year package of funding, there was submitted a report by the Council's Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the Area Budget for 2022/23, advising

(1) of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's budget for 2022/23;

(2) that the North East Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2022/23 was £88,194.44 and that £60,545.96 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £27,648.48; and

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2022/23.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the Area Budget allocation for 2022/23; and

(ii) the application dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report; and

(b) dealt with the applications for funding as follows, the grant awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
Loop Theatre	Towards the cost of running performing arts classes for people in the North East Ward with additional support needs	Awarded £6,216.03
All Saint's Secondary School	Towards the cost of organising a school pantomime	Awarded £530
The Scottish Pantry Network	Towards the cost of running a food voucher pilot project which would provide access to fruit and vegetables for under 5s in the North East Ward	Refused as not considered value for money
Glasgow Life – Linn Park Soft Play Area	Towards the cost of refurbishment and re-fit of the soft Playroom in Linn Park Adventure Playground	Refused as it was not considered that children from the Ward would attend the park

Police Scotland Ward update noted.

9 There was heard a report by Sergeant Gareth Wylie, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

(1) of the current progress that Police Scotland was making within the Ward in relation to crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB);

(2) that local Officers had been relocated to events within the City, including TRNSMT and football matches;

(3) that Officers were rebuilding partnerships by working with local groups;

(4) of the ASB arising from youth disorder, who had caused vandalism and broken into Lochend High School and that Officers were engaging with local youths within the Ward;

(5) of the holistic approach adopted by Officers in dealing with parents of 12–13-year-olds who had become a public nuisance within the Ward; and

(6) of the continued work by Campus Cops within the schools.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report and thanked Sergeant Wylie for the work carried out in the Ward;

(b) highlighted an area of concern, which had not previously been brought to the attention of Police Scotland.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Ward update noted.

10 There was heard a report by Station Commander Russell McKinlay, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the Ward for Quarter 4, from 1st April to 30th June 2022, advising the Partnership

(1) that the Service had attended 4 accidental fires with no casualties, 1 unintentional injury and harm, 95 deliberate fires, 2 non-domestic fires and 18 unwanted fire alarm signals;

(2) of the Prevention and Protection Team who would carry out fire skill courses and engage with youth groups within the Ward;

(3) of the engagement with partners and that the Service would be happy to attend all groups within the Ward; and

(4) that the Service had held open days within the local parks to engage with the community.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted and thanked Station Commander McKinally for the report and for the worked carried out by the Service; and

(b) heard that the majority of deliberate fires were small, predominantly youths setting fire to bins.

A New Model for Area Partnerships - Report noted.

11 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding a new model for Area Partnerships, advising of

(1) a range of information to support the transition to a new way of working;

(2) an update on the 3 pilot Citizens' Panels and the next stages going forward;

(3) Ward information for the North East Area Partnership and the impact on the Ward;

(4) an update on the City's Community Action Plan;

(5) guidance and a template for the Local Area Action Plan;

(6) the local venues to be considered should the Partnership elect to hold meetings in the Ward;

(7) the proposals on how communication would be improved across the Partnership and details of training and ongoing support for members;

(8) an update on the future of Sector Partnerships; and

(9) the recommendations for the Partnership.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

(a) the report;

(b) the event with community councils on 20th August 2022, which had been well attended;

(c) that subgroups should be agreed and meetings could be attended by digital inclusion groups who would provide information and support to members;

(d) that future venues for the Partnership meetings could be considered; and

(e) that additional information could be completed and returned to Mr Speirs on subgroups, venues etc for consideration.